Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 29 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 30 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 29 Apr 2023 at 02:21 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cloudy, unsettled conditions into next week with patchy rain and showers at times. Lower for detail, extent and timing of low cloud rain and showers.

Headline for Saturday 29 Apr 2023: Far north dry and bright, cloudy elsewhere but mainly dry by afternoon

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 29 Apr 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Dull	Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Dull
Precipitation probability					
50%	30%	30%	20%	20%	30%

Forecast for Saturday 29 Apr 2023

Weather: Sutherland and Caithness will be cold and dry with some sunshine, clouding over from the south later in the afternoon and evening. Elsewhere a lot of cloud expected through the day, the odd wintry shower this morning.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% in the north, 20% elsewhere

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud down to 500-700m across southern parts, small amounts of cloud across the tops north of the Fannichs. Visibility becomes poor in any rain or snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	19/25 E	19/25 E	18/23 E	14/19 E	14/19 E	13/17 SE	13/17 SE
900	19/25 E	19/25 E	18/23 E	14/19 E	14/19 E	13/17 SE	13/17 SE
600	18/25 E	18/25 E	16/22 E	13/17 SE	13/17 SE	11/16 SE	10/14 SE
300	12/21 E	11/21 E	9/19 E	7/14 E	7/15 E	6/13 E	4/10 E
Glen	18/26 E	17/26 E	14/21 E	11/15 E	12/16 E	10/14 E	8/11 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-4/-11	-3/-10	-2/-9	-0/-6	0/-5	1/-4	2/-2
900	-3/-10	-2/-9	-1/-8	0/-5	1/-4	2/-3	3/-1
600	0/-6	1/-6	2/-3	3/-1	4/-0	4/1	5/2
300	2/-3	3/-1	5/1	5/3	5/3	4/2	4/3
Glen	4/-0	6/2	8/4	9/6	9/6	8/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	500m	600m	900m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Freezing level will be above summit level across Skye and Lochaber, this warmer air slowly edging north through the day

Forecast for Sunday 30 Apr 2023

Weather: A cloudy morning with outbreaks of rain. Becoming drier in the afternoon with brighter skies developing in the east and south of the area, but low cloud lingering along western coastal ranges. Chance of a few showers breaking out where it brightens up in the afternoon in the south.

Maximum wind: Southwest 15-20mph gust 30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud to low levels in the early morning becoming broken at 600-800m from late morning and early afternoon inland in the east and south. Visibility, poor in cloud, will fall to very poor in heavy showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to plus 12 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits.

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